

- (iii) Service Improvement Groups have been set up at the stations, divisional and zonal levels;
- (iv) passenger reservations are being computerised progressively. By 1992-93, 77% of these would be on computers;
- (v) Quality of catering is being improved;
- (vi) Technological innovations are being introduced in the areas of traction, freight accounting, passenger reservation, inventory management, rolling stock management and operational strategies;
- (vii) For better utilisation of assets, market strategies are being tuned in response to market impulses;
- (viii) Front-Line staff who deal with public are being given refresher courses by Zonal Training Schools to highlight the language of courtesy and efficiency in public dealings.

[English]

Anti TB Programme

4234. SHRI R. SURENDER REDDY: Will the Minister of HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Tuberculosis Association of India has launched an intensive anti-T.B. programme; and

(b) if so, the details thereof?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE (SHRIMATI D K. THARADEVI

SIDDHARTHA): (a) and (b). Tuberculosis Association of India is a voluntary Organisation undertaking TB Control activities. The TAI has launched an intensive Anti-TB Programme in Delhi on 24th February, 1992. Under this Programme the TAI plans to step up case finding activities specially in slums, increasing health education efforts and improving community awareness about the disease and its control.

Compensatory Afforestation

4235. SHRI GIRDHARI LAL BHARGAVA: Will the Minister of ENVIRONMENT AND FORESTS be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Government have issued any instructions to the State Governments to fulfil the target of compensatory afforestation in areas of developmental projects;

(b) if so, the performance of State Governments in this regard, State-wise;

(c) whether the Government have reviewed the progress made with regard to the compensatory afforestation; and

(d) if so, the details thereof?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF PARLIAMENTARY AFFAIRS AND MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF LAW, JUSTICE AND COMPANY AFFAIRS (SHRI RANGARAJAN KUMARAMANGALAM): (a) Yes, Sir.

(b) to (d). As against the total requirement of Compensatory Afforestation in the country to the tune of 3.47 lakh ha. in respect of proposals approved under the Forest (Conservation) Act by end of 1991, Compensatory Afforestation had been done over 0.86 lakh ha. till 1991 rains. The progress of Compensatory Afforestation state-wise has been reviewed with Nodal Officers of the State/Union Territory Government and the detailed progress is given in the statement